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TAGS: EAGR, BE

SUBJECT: U.S. GRAIN SORGHUM EXPORTS TO EC

1. ANTWERP REPRESENTATIVE OF LARGE U.S. GRAIN TRADING FIRM CALLED AGATT TO EXPRESS CONCERN ABOUT U.S. GRAIN SORGHUM EXPORTS TO EC IN GENERAL AND BELGIUM IN PARTICULAR. TRADE SOURCE BELIEVES EC (BELGIUM, NETHERLANDS, GERMANY AND UK) WILL IMPORT ONLY 300,000 TONS OF SORGHUM THIS YEAR COMPARED TO ABOUT 1.3 MILLION TONS LAST YEAR.

2. SOURCE BELIEVES MAJOR REASON FOR THIS DEVELOPMENT IS RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CORN AND SORGHUM THRESHOLD PRICES AND THEIR RELATIVE FEED VALUES WHICH TENDS TO FAVOR CORN. ALTHOUGH SOME REGIONS HAVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PREFERENCE FOR SORGHUM, MIXED FEED INDUSTRY REPORTEDLY CHANGING RATIONS TO REFLECT RELATIONSHIP MENTIONED ABOVE.

3. WHILE U.S. MAY BE ABLE TO PARTIALLY REPLACE LOWER SORGHUM EXPORTS WITH LARGER CORN SHIPMENTS, TRADE SOURCE BELIEVES USG MAY WISH TO EXPRESS ITS CONCERN TO EC ABOUT DISAPPEARING SORGHUM

MARKET, AND THAT THRESHOLD PRICES SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT
RELATIVE FEED VALUES OF DIFFERENT FEEDSTUFFS.

4. FYI, SOURCE SAID HE ALSO DISCUSSED MATTER WITH ARGENTINE
EMBASSY OFFICIAL, WHO EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT ARGENTINE SORGHUM
EXPORTS TO EC AND WILLINGNESS TO TAKE SOME TYPE OF ACTION.
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